



## Miscellaneous.

## JOTTINGS FROM THE CAPITAL.

The wise king, Solomon, says, "There is no new thing under the sun;" but to the good people of Washington who have long been clamoring for a Sunday law, the exhuming of the buried law of 1843, by the commissioners, seems a new and very good thing. We consider ourselves a very proper people, and yet it is a lamentable fact that through all these years there has been no *legal* restriction on Sunday traffic, and there is a growing tendency to barter on that, as on any other day of the week. The resurrected law takes effect this week, and we anticipate a wonderful change in the closing of saloons, soda-fountains, candy shops, etc.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. may take to themselves a good part of the credit of this reform, for it was their charge against the commissioners (questioning the legality of certain acts) in their petition to Congress, which set the ball in motion. Christian endeavor is on the increase. "Am I my brother's keeper?" is a question that is coming very close to the hearts of Christian people; and now there is a promise, as never before, of thorough evangelistic work in the city. Several weeks ago a Christian convention was held, the object of which was to consider the best means for conducting mission work throughout the city. An invitation was sent to every evangelical Protestant clergyman to be present. Plans are not fully consummated, but it is agreed that the masses must be reached by personal effort. When Christians of all denominations are banded to unite in one common effort to war against the evil one, then the true spirit of the Master is made manifest. "Whosoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might," is the injunction given to every one who would be Christ's disciple.

Easter Sunday was appropriately observed in all the churches. The chancels were beautifully adorned with rare flowers of richest perfume, and the blessed tidings, "The Lord is risen," woke glad echoes in many listening souls. A touching memorial service was held at the Metropolitan M. E. Church, in memory of the "Blessed" who have passed to the heavenly home since the organization of the church in 1869. The audience-room was decorated most elaborately with palms and flowers of richest color and fragrance. A pedestal stood at the entrance to Gen. Grant's pew, on which was placed a bronze bust of the deceased soldier, the pedestal being draped in the silken folds of our country's flag. Dr. Newman slowly advanced. John S. Tupper was continued in interest.

## NOTES FROM WASHINGTON.

The forty days of fasting, which in many instances were nominal rather than real, are past, and the bright and beautiful Easter morning that followed and ended Lent is, also, numbered with those days beyond the flood. The Methodist Episcopal churches of our city this year paid more attention to this season of religious observance than ever heretofore. In the Metropolitan we had Bible readings each morning during the forty days at 10 A.M., which were well attended. Mrs. Dr. Newman had charge. At night Dr. Newman gave a half hour's discourse, and prayers were made and experiences given. It was a season of great spiritual refreshing. Believers were strengthened and sinners converted. On Easter morning there was a resurrection prayer-meeting, at 9 A.M. Sunday-school, and at 11 A.M. preaching. At 3 P.M., those who have passed to the better land since the organization of the church in 1869, were remembered, each one with a beautiful floral tribute. The roll of names numbered seventy. Among them were Dr. Thomas Eddy, Chief Justice Chase, Justice Clifford, Vice-President Colfax, ex-President Grant, and Senator Logan; of our resident members, Hon. T. L. Tullock, Thomas Perry, Rev. Mr. Burr, and our dear sister, Mrs. Fuller.

On Sunday, the 17th, six mass meetings were held in different parts of the city. The Sons of Temperance, the Rechabites, Good Templars, and Woman's Christian Temperance Union all participated. At Harris Theatre there was a meeting at 3 expressly for boys. The pool-rooms are now closed on Sunday; so the temperance people must interest and take care of the boys whose Sunday vocation the good women of the W. C. T. U. have snatched away, by arousing the commissioners of our city to the enforcement of the laws they took oath to obey.

Although some of our wealthier citizens are leaving our city for the summer, since we have gone beyond 200,000 in our census, we do not miss them. No matter how many people leave, the city seems to be full, and our public walks and drives are crowded. Many strangers stop en route from North to South to see our beautiful clean capital.

Our Baltimore Conference now has a paper of its own, under the management of its efficient editor, Rev. J. W. Cornelius. The circulation has been greatly increased. It is a good-sized, eight-page paper, well printed in large type, and well worth perusal. It gives all the news of the Conference, and many Washington and Baltimore items of interest.

## MRS. LLEWELLYN DEANE.

Reported by REV. H. A. SPENCER.

## FRIDAY.

[Continued.]

In the evening a revival service of an hour was held under the direction of A. B. Truax. At 7.45, the anniversary of the Board of Church Extension was held, with J. A. Sherburne in the chair. After prayer by A. J. Hough, Rev. W. A. Spencer, D. D., assistant corresponding secretary of the Board of Church Extension, spoke with his characteristic effectiveness, and took over \$400 in pledges on his "Royal Army" plan; and the benediction was pronounced by W. R. Puffer.

## SATURDAY.

The Bishop was again in the chair in the morning ready for the opening service of song and prayer, which was conducted by J. McAnn. It was a time of refreshment. At 9 o'clock the journal of yesterday was read and approved. Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society, and J. W. Hamilton, of the New England Conference, were introduced to Conference. Ten o'clock Monday was made the hour for considering the constitutional question of representation in General Conference.

W. S. Smithers, H. E. Howard, C. W. Morse, F. D. Handy, who were in the class of deacons of the second class, were reported favorably by the committee of examination and the presiding elders, and they were elected to elder's orders.

The following local deacons were elected to local elder's orders: A. W. Ford, John Morse, Geo. E. Burnham. The Bishop spoke a few words to these brethren, impressing them with the obligation of the new relation.

The following local preachers were elected to deacon's orders: D. C. Thatcher, W. E. Douglas, A. B. Riggs, E. E. Reynolds, and A. J. Martin. They were introduced to Conference by the Bishop, and all testified that they do not use tobacco.

S. L. Hedges was the only candidate eligible for admission to full connection. He answered the usual questions, and was admitted to Conference.

The Bishop dwelt fully and forcefully upon the underlying principles of Methodism in his address.

Dr. Rust presented the claims of the Freedmen's Aid Society with his characteristic force and eloquence.

Mrs. Angie F. Newman, of Nebraska, the representative of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, was introduced to the Conference, and spoke a few minutes, especially with reference to Mormonism. Mrs. Newman met the committee on a Historical Society presented a report, which was adopted.

Dennis Wells made a strong and eloquent speech on the subject of a Vermont Methodist Historical Society.

A memoir of R. H. Barton, not ready yesterday, was read by H. Webster and adopted; and the report of the committee on Memoirs was adopted as a whole.

Prof. E. A. Bishop, Principal of the Seminary at Montpelier, gave a report of the condition of the school, which showed a very satisfactory state of things on the whole. It is an exception to all other schools of its class when we announce that our Seminary needs money?

J. O. Sherburne, who was appointed to visit the School of Theology, Boston University, made a report through N. W. Wilder.

The committee on Freedmen's Aid made its report, and it was adopted.

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The steward then made a report of the distribution of funds in their hands, which was adopted.

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The executive session which began at 1.30 o'clock p.m., continued with closed doors till 6 o'clock. Though the business transacted at these private sessions of the Conference is supposed to be kept secret, yet it soon became rumored that charges had been preferred against Rev. Charles L. Goodell, of Providence, and that a committee of trial had been appointed,

At 6.45 o'clock, E. Snow conducted the revival service, which was a precious season.

At 7.45, F. H. Roberts took the chair, and the anniversary of the Freedmen's Aid Society was held. Prayer was offered by H. A. Spencer; and Bishop Walden, Dr. Rust and Dr. Hamilton delivered the addresses. L. Dodd

was called first, and in a most felicitous manner took himself out of the way to give all the time to the other speakers. A collection was taken to bring up the deficiency of the Conference on this cause.

SUNDAY.

The Conference love-feast met in Music Hall at 8.30 o'clock. H. A. Spencer had charge of it, and W. D. Malcolm led in prayer. A large number testified to the preciousness of the wonderful grace of God.

At 10.30 Bishop Walden preached an exhaustive sermon from I Cor. 2: 5. A. L. Cooper assisted in the opening services, leading in prayer. A thousand people, or more, filled this beautiful hall of the Y. M. C. A.

At 2.30 the memorial service was held in the Methodist Church, with the Bishop in the chair. The opening services were participated in by R. Morgan and P. Merrill. After a few words by the Bishop, the following memoirs were read: Of Jane B., wife of W. Howard, read by W. N. Roberts; of Lydia M., widow of M. Bullard, read by H. Webster; of J. S. Spinhay, read by H. Webster, followed by remarks by C. P. Taplin, A. H. Webb and P. Merrill; of John L. Smith, read by A. B. Truax, followed by remarks by W. J. Kidder, Dennis Wells, J. S. Little, J. A. Sherburne, A. T. Bullard, A. L. Cooper, I. McAnn, and J. O. Sherburne. No memoir bearing testimony to his faithfulness and goodness.

At the conclusion of this service the ordination services occurred. The Bishop made a statement of the doctrine of the Methodist Episcopal Church as distinguished from the views of other Episcopal churches. The following persons were ordained deacons: D. C. Thacher, W. E. Douglas, A. B. Riggs, E. E. Reynolds and A. J. Martin; and the following were ordained elders: W. S. Smithers, H. E. Howard, C. W. Morse, F. D. Handy, A. W. Ford, John Morse, Geo. E. Burnham.

In the evening a revival service was held, with the Bishop in the chair.

The 18th Question was "Who are the supernumerary preachers?" was taken up: W. H. Richards, L. E. Dunham, C. Banning, D. Bentle, W. H. Hatfield, W. O. Cady, L. D. Bentle, W. P. Hyde, J. O. Dodze, G. S. Stanley, D. J. Griffin, E. M. Anthony, N. Goodrich, A. J. Church, D. A. Whedon, G. W. Brewster, J. F. Sheffield, H. S. Smith, S. McKeown and M. J. Talbot were received from the N. W. Swedish Conference.

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tee has met in the vestry of the Conference and evenings. The Conference is very great, but the meetings and witness to the hearings. This meets at East Greenwich and a gloomy effect upon the sessions have been ominous. The emerence has been admirably Kimball, the pastor of St. Peter's sessions are held, in their efforts for the conference. The people are and the city a pleasant one.

THURSDAY.

Services were in charge of the Bishop took the chair, and for the committee on the church, and the report was

as made effective, and the appointed to appoint him financial

ers' Aid Society.

Appointed to correspond with last Conference respecting which the two Conferences have

the committee on Services of 1888 was amended and passed

elders and pastor in conference will be held, were

any changes which may be in the programme of ser-

sympathy with S. McBurney

ever sickness was moved and adopted.

Read a communication from regarding his conduct as agent

Academy, which was ac-

knowledged in the con-

the presiding elder of New

Investigation, was re-

ordered to be entered on

the character passed. He was

merely relational.

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of the Academy for the next

take the adjustment of its

confidence and support

J. H. James, and passed,

presented a resolution re-

port on other benevolent

as upon that for missions

the passage of character.

Spurred discussion before its

was appointed a commis-

sary at Wood's Holl.

was transferred from the

opened at 4 o'clock. T. J.

votations.

Leaders were made a committee

committees for the next

was elected treasurer.

Was passed thanking Mrs.

for her gift of a lot to the

Newport.

The Conference of 1886 was

provided that two weeks'

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memorial to General

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the select number in the case

came in.

Thanks were passed for

by the Conference from

taken for the sexton. C.

and the Conference to hold the

Trinity Church, Providence.

Accepted.

member reported by their pres-

Talbot; that they find C. L.

Verdict was received with

and audience with loud and

applause, and the congregation,

voiced their joy in the

long-met doxology. The long

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the both sides had been pro-

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the committee every material

of the case. All the time

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by the committee. After the

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There was no one but

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the circumstances, so de-

the Conference were tendered

secretary, counsel and mem-

bers, for their patient service

ing of the appointments, the

urned at a little past midnight,

pronounced by the Bishop.

the appointments: —

DENICE DISTRICT.

DRAN, Presiding Elder.

and Ashton, L. G. Horton,

Bristol, R. H. Day,

Spokane, C. B. Pfeifer,

West Church,

King, B. Smith.

East Prov-

Church, W. H. Starr.

King, E. Weymouth,

Green-

St. W. Weymouth,

Weymouth, C. W. Thompson,

## The Family.

## SPEAKING TO THE HEART.

(EDITORIAL.)

To living vigorous faith, despair of victory over self, death, and hell seems impossible, because to its listening ear God is always whispering, "Fear not!" "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."

A slave who holds his passions in subjection to the will of God, is a much nobler man than a king who is bound in the chains of his own impious selfishness. Hence Milton grandly says,—

"Who reigns within himself, and rules  
Passions, desires, and fears, is more than  
king."

The inmates of our prisons, and very many to whom the almshouses furnish cheerless homes, are the victims of their own follies and vices. They passed into the highway of their ruin just where they threw off the reins of self-restraint and bade their passions run loose in the enchanted grounds of lawless self-indulgence. Hence the stones of prison walls and almshouses have tongues continually saying to the world what Shelley, in one of his poems, makes the wise Ulysses say to the glutinous Cyclops,—

"Many have bought too dear their evil joys."  
And so long as the "wages of sin is death," so long will every man who will taste the joys of covetousness, of evil desires, of immoral amusements, or of any other form of unrighteousness, buy his chosen delight too dear. Endless death is a fearful price to pay for the short-lived delights of sin.

A naturally quick temper, like an incendiary horse, does not readily submit to its owner's will. "It has been said that it is easier to act the martyr than to conquer one's temper." There may be some exaggeration in this saying. It is true, however, that to the unassisted will the conquest of a fiery temper is next to impossible. But "impossible" is an unbeliever's adjective. It has no proper place in a Christian's vocabulary, inasmuch as to him no duty is impossible. He who commands the duty says to him, "My grace is sufficient for thee." It is, therefore, his great privilege to stand amidst his self-asserting passions like a lion tamer amidst his subdued animals, holding them in abeyance and triumphantly exclaiming, "I can do all things through Christ strengthening me." Thus, divinely aided, the believer, though naturally as furious as Jehu, may become as meek as Moses. Yea, he may clothe himself, as in a beautiful garment, with the meekness of the lowly Lord.

## HER FACE.

Scant beauty nature gave her; in disguise Rugged and harsh she made her go about. Her face, however, said the old saw, looks bravely out.

Bat Lufe took up the chisel, used her face Roughly, with many blows as sculptors use a block; It wrought a little while, and lo, a grace Fell, as a sunbeam fell upon a rock.

Across her soul a heavy sorrow swept, As tidal waves sweep sometimes o'er the land, Leaving her face when back it ebbed and crept, Tranquil and purified, like tids-washed sand.

And of her face her gentleness grew part, And all her holy thoughts left there their trace; A great love found its way within her heart, Its root was there, its blossom in her face.

So when death came to set the sweet soul free From the poor body, that was never much to see How Life had carved for Death an angel there.

— BESIDE CHANDLER, in *Advance*.

## THE STORY OF "PHARAOH'S DAUGHTER."

BY REV. H. H. HOWARD.

How beautifully the memory of Pharaoh's daughter is enshrined in the Scriptures of both Old and New Testaments! As the result of her providential connection with, her timely hospitality to, and the kindly, maternal care she maintained over the infancy, the childhood, and, it is likely, the youth and early manhood of that most eminent of all God's ancient servants, Moses, Pharaoh's daughter has won a very graceful and tender recognition on the part of the inspired writers, and so an imperishable record and memorial in the church of God. How little this gentle lady realized as, that morning, she with her bevy of damsels sailed forth to the river's brink for her customary bath, and as a little later she took the tiny foundling that had come drifting down upon her from his floating carriage, and fondly and even passionately embraced him as her own, that on account of that one impulsive, womanly, tender act, she was not only to endear herself to all coming generations, but to associate her name imperishably with one of the most honored names of a foreign religion, and to secure, in connection with a foreign civilization, a memorial that should endure for untold ages even after her own proud dynasty should have perished from the earth forever.

How instinctively we desire to learn all that it is possible for us to know concerning this interesting daughter of the illustrious and mighty Pharaohs! Her name is not given in the Bible. The rabbis have assured us, however, that hers was the beautiful and significant name of Bithia—the daughter, or worshiper, of Jehovah. Josephus, it is true, declares that her proper Egyptian name was Thermuthis. One is probably, in reality, as authentic as the other. Personally, I think that of the two I prefer the former. So let us write and

think of her under the musical and suggestive name of Bithia.

Ramesses, it is said, had at this time but this one child, Bithia, who, hence, according to Egyptian law, was heiress to the throne. She was married—so says tradition—but had, as yet, no children. This very circumstance may have rendered her peculiarly susceptible to the mute and pathetic appeal of the aforementioned little stranger so providentially entrusted to her hands.

## DEAD ON THE STREET.

BY REV. S. C. KEEBLER.

[Kate S. was found under the snow in Concord, N. H., where she had perished on a cold night in January last.]

Only a cry of woe and a stifled moan, Mingled with the wail of the wintry storm,

And out in the darkness, dead and alone, Lay a once tender and beautiful form,

Her cheek fast freezing to her pillow of frost,

And her blighted life there ended and lost.

In the reveling role where the cup was death,

Once she was welcomed for the part she bore,

Now shivering there, with her dying breath

She piteously begged to enter the door;

But its keeper had no pity or place

For her wasted form and her haggard face.

More tender to her than humanity proved,

Where halted her weary and wand'ring feet,

Kind Heaven, by whom e'en the sinful are loved,

Spread over the outcast the whitest sheet,

Covering her up from the pitiless blast

And pitiless world where her life was cast.

"A sinner indeed," by many 'twas said.

But the sin of others she was made to bear,

Some of the living might easily tell,

For her nature once was more white and fair

Than the souls of many by whom she fell.

Far greater the sins and greater the blame Of those who mocked at her sorrow and shame!

Few only the years, though swiftly they pass,

Since her baby fingers were "on the pane,"

And her baby eyes peered out through the glass,

Wond'ring alike at the sunshine and rain —

Wond'ring at the world to which she had come,

Pure as a seraph from heavenly home.

Alas! that her soul should have it to tell, "Though I came to a land of Gospel light,

I found my dwelling on the verge of hell,

And hands ready to lead me down to night.

And the light went out of my life at last,

As they drove me forth in the freezing blast."

No need of an insect, "it was truly said,

The cause of her fate was so plainly told;

The soul that had gone from that frozen bed

Was blighted by men for lust and for gold.

The guilt of their crimes they surely will bear,

In the inquest for such God maketh with care.

But other fingers are now "on the pane,"

And other eyes now peer out through the glass,

Shall this tale of woe be rehearsed in vain?

And over their loss must we still cry, Alas!

In sorrow and night must we see them sink Through the open house of death and of drink ?

O fathers and mothers! When will ye awake,

And close up these houses of shame and woe?

Guarded and safe only thus can you make Paths where the feet of your children must go;

Else in sorrow and sin many will sink Through the open house of death and of drink.

Keene, N. H.

## LETTER FROM CHINA.

(From a private letter to Edward F. Waters, esq., of this city.)

Your letter written Nov. 26, 1886, was duly received, and it has been my honest intention to reply to it for a full month. I was making preparations for my homeward trip when the letter came, and I said to myself, will start a letter by San Francisco route when I leave for Suez, Holy Land and London. I settled all my mission matters, came on to Shanghai, sent on all my luggage to Mrs. Hart, purchased my ticket to Suez, and within about twenty-four hours should have sailed, when a letter came from Bishop Fowler, stating he had been appointed superintendent of West China in connection with Central China, and that I must visit Chungking and relocate and reorganize our mission there, which was destroyed last July by a mob. Mr. Gamewell, who was at the head of that mission, is on bad terms with native officials and the Catholics, who threaten his life if he returns to that field. In view of all the facts, it was thought best for me to go and re-establish work there. This will consume a good portion of a year, and put me up to a great responsibility and great labors. First, the journey is long, and most tedious and dangerous in many places. Although but eight hundred miles above Hankow, it takes about six weeks to make the journey up, but only ten days down.

You can imagine my disappointment, after making all my preparations for home, and under such pleasant circumstances. My mission brethren raised a fund to send me through Egypt and Palestine, and sent me off with flying colors. I somehow felt there was a work for me to do in West China, and deemed duty above pleasure, I concluded to undertake, in face of very grave obstacles, the mission. I hope to start in about one month's time, and may not return for six or eight months. I purpose leaving for America immediately.

As to the later history of the beautiful Bithia, both Scripture and tradition are utterly silent. Whatever it may have been, this woman can never be forgotten by either Jew or Gentile. This one great event of her life will abundantly suffice to endear her memory, and to perpetuate her name and fame to all generations. This one "touch of nature," this one idyllic expression of all that is "pure womanly" on her part, this one brief but singularly beautiful episode, not only gladdens with reality, as authentic as the other. Personally, I think that of the two I prefer the former. So let us write and

think of her under the musical and suggestive name of Bithia.

Ramesses, it is said, had at this time but this one child, Bithia, who, hence, according to Egyptian law, was heiress to the throne. She was married—so says tradition—but had, as yet, no children. This very circumstance may have rendered her peculiarly susceptible to the mute and pathetic appeal of the aforementioned little stranger so providentially entrusted to her hands.

stated, to elevate "Pharaoh's daughter" to an honored seat among the notable and worthy "women of the Bible," and will cause, hence, the story of Bithia to be familiarized wherever, all the future, the Bible shall yet be read.

DEAD ON THE STREET.

BY REV. S. C. KEEBLER.

[Kate S. was found under the snow in Concord, N. H., where she had perished on a cold night in January last.]

Only a cry of woe and a stifled moan, Mingled with the wail of the wintry storm,

And out in the darkness, dead and alone, Lay a once tender and beautiful form,

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V. C. HART.

Shanghai, March 4, 1887.

## ABOUT WOMEN.

Twenty-five young women have just graduated from the Woman's Medical College of Chicago.

The Czar has sent the Queen of Holland the grand cross of the "Order for Women," founded by Peter the Great.

Mrs. Cornelius Du Bois, of New York, is raising a fund to send trainees to the Nanking Hospital. We need a manikin, medical charts, etc., apparatus as used in home hospitals. I will send you a picture by next mail. If you get *Gospel in All Lands*, you will see a series of short articles by myself entitled, "Three Hundred Miles on Horseback in China."

Following him came our general Dr. Rust, who surely will never illustrate his name if he is always as bright as on that evening. He referred to Chatta-nooga and the victory over caste in the resignation of Prof. Caulkins, and added, "It has taken a good many of us to kill that bear." The ministers, like boys spoiling for a story, called out, "What bear?" but their boyish curiosity was ungratified, as the good Doctor refused to leave the thread of his discourse to tell a bear story. He grew eloquent as he told us how, in the dark days of slavery, he helped to rescue a fugitive slave, and carried him by night to Canada and safety. He said his course was ever northward, straight toward the polar star, but when, for a little while, in order to get around some mountain, the road would seem to be turning back toward the south, the black face of the fugitive would begin to blanch, and he would tremble with fear of being carried back into slavery. This he used as an analogy of "Brethren, don't distrust your driver."

The memorial service, for those who have fallen at their posts during the past year, was one of unusual tenderness and solemnity. Mrs. Carlyle says that people who write books can never write nice letters, because they live always in the shadow of their future biographers; so these memorial services make us—as ministers' wives—realize what manner of persons we ought to be, in the light of our future Conference memorials. We could almost wish to have the melancholy pleasure experienced by the editors of ZION'S HERALD and the *Christian Advocate*, when they read their own obituaries; or, like the wife of the good Vicar of Wakefield, to have our epitaphs written out and hung up before us, as a constant reminder of duty and reward.

The last session of Conference was eight women physicians who have an annual practice of about \$20,000 each. There are twelve whose income averages above \$10,000 each. There are twenty-two who admit that their annual resource from their profession is above \$5,000 each.

Mme. Caroline Popp has just completed her fiftieth year as editor of the chief Liberal paper in Flanders—the *Journal de Bruges*. Mme. Popp has earned some distinction in her native land as a novelist and story-teller. Her "Nathalie" and her "

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ings, and hasty words  
say for bitter sorrow and  
tears. We know our heads  
sink, and enter straight  
into the King's  
leave, and lover.

but the Lord's love,  
out consequences—why,  
into blessings—and He  
by, along, and fade, and  
we may be safer  
of everlasting life, than if  
it were a willing heart.—  
—Mrs. A. D. T. Whit-

from which to preach,  
account to which to check;  
and finger to use it. So  
Lord's poor, an i won im-  
gift is a willing heart.—

the duties of the pres-  
that God requires. You  
yourself above future labors  
may never come. But  
moby, to your best,  
a will succeed.

world is growing green,  
quick buds are seen  
lands have been.  
It's acre stretches green,  
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—Christina Rossetti.

one. It speaks when  
and, is either a constant  
ual reproach. —Hinton.

will settle over a vessel's  
topmost clear. Then a  
gets a lookout which  
is still unsee;

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—F. R. Haverhill.

for Missions

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Mission Work.

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our work in the South.

Workers.

Mineral Point, Wis.,

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ones took a Willing-

and started out next

it filled. Before nine

it was full and the cash

asked the youngest one

replied: "I am a boy

can't you give me ten

cents?" The pastor adds:

our soul good to see how

been taken hold of

Missions."

Work in Utah.

Lizzie McCord, children

, having consecrated

to Utah's redemption,

upon the Ohio West-

ly at Delaware. Mrs.

rnantown, Pa., has as-

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his year, at least, Lizzie

missionary Society. Will

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other on in her course?

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are as follows: Salt

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and Bidwell; Mt. Pleasant;

Marion, Miss Ander-

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and Thorson; Ogden;

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## The Week.

## At Home.

The New York national banks pay in \$2,572,295.80 taxes in accordance with the recent decision of the Supreme Court.

The Vosburgh Manufacturing Company (gas fixtures, etc.) of Brooklyn burned out; loss, \$20,000.

Repetition of disturbance in the New York Senate; Gov. Hill renominates Buckbee and Armstrong for railroad commissioners.

Anti-coercion meeting at Providence, R. I., at which Gov. elect Davis presides. Address by John Boyle O'Reilly and others.

The \$1,000,000 mortgage on the Troy & Boston railroad to be foreclosed; the road defaults on its bonds.

The silversmiths of the Gorham Manufacturing Company's works in Providence vote to disband the local assembly K. of L. in that city.

Celebration of the 68th anniversary of the introduction of Odd Fellowship into this country.

Organization of the Indiana Natural Gas Company with a capital of \$1,000,000.

Unveiling the monument to John C. Calhoun in Charleston, S. C.; magnificent military display, oration by Hon. L. Q. C. Lamar.

The Massachusetts House amends the high license bill by cutting down the fees 50 per cent.; the Senate amends and engrosses the Sanday bill; the Cape Cod Canal bill signed.

The tinplate and sheet iron workers of the country form an independent trade organization.

Jacob F. Wickoff, of Pine Street, New York, falls for a quarter of a million.

The report of the railroad commissioners on the Roslindale disaster finds the cause to have been the breaking of hangers at the joint block, and censures the Providence Railroad Company for neglect of reasonable precautions both in the building and inspection of the bridge.

George O. Manchester of Boston elected president of the California Central railroad.

The Massachusetts Senate further amends the Sanday bill and engrosses it; the House debates the State arbitration bill.

At Dedham, Hon. F. W. Bird sues E. Frank Lewis in \$20,000 for alleged pollution of the water of Neponset river.

The bill prohibiting the issue of railroad passes to legislators rejected by the Connecticut House of Representatives.

The bronze statue of Garfield at Washington placed upon its \$20,000 pedestal.

The 65th anniversary of the birth of Gen. Grant observed at Pittsburg, Washington, Hartford, and other cities.

The pine line bill, in opposition to the Standard Oil Company, defeated in the Pennsylvania Senate.

President Cleveland suspends the discriminating duties, tonnage tax, etc., upon vessels of the Netherlands and the Dutch East Indies.

Overland express train on the Southern Pacific railroad robbed near Tucson, Ariz.; about \$50 taken.

The Troy & Boston railroad ratifies the agreement to consolidate with the Fitchburg road.

The Boston & Maine Railroad Company leases the Northern railroad in New Hampshire.

The Connecticut Senate passes the bill providing for the discontinuance of grade crossings on railroads.

A son of President Bartlett of Dartmouth College, appointed assistant instructor in English at the American Board training school at Kyoto, Japan.

A bill prohibiting the use of stoves on passenger trains after Nov. 1 passed by the New York Assembly.

The Governor and the Legislature visit the Cape Cod Canal.

Natural gas struck at Ottawa, Kan., at a depth of 500 feet. The pressure too strong for measurement.

A wind-storm in Lake, Ill., destroys several buildings and causes the loss of two lives.

The Grant relics are now being placed in public exhibition at the National Museum at Washington, D. C.

A fire in Bradford, Vt., destroys the Trotter House and other buildings. The total loss about \$40,000.

The trunk lines accede to Boston's request, and have reduced the rate on grain export to 25 cents.

The Interstate Commerce Commission closes its sitting at Atlanta, Ga., and starts for Mobile, Ala.

Rapid rising of rivers in Maine and New Hampshire reported. The Penobscot and Kennebec rivers and some lesser streams in Maine considerably swollen, resulting in a few instances in serious damage; the loss of one life reported.

The Pond Street Methodist Church in Amesbury has been burned.

True bills of indictment are found at Pittsburg against thirteen of the Pan Hand Railroaders employed upon the charge of robbing railroad cars.

A church, a warehouse and twelve dwelling-houses have been burned at Kankakee, Ill.

Three lives lost by a boat going over a waterfall in Putnam, Conn.

Occurrence of railroad accidents in Pennsylvania and in Dakota. One man killed by each disaster, and several seriously injured.

Sinking of a coal schooner in Lake Erie, and its crew of eight men drowned.

## ABROAD.

The Canadian Parliament protests against the passage of the Coercion bill.

Accomplishment of the proposed fusion of the five Central American republics into one nation; treaty adopted providing for perpetual peace.

Secession discussed in the Nova Scotia Assembly.

Nova Scotia adds her protest against the passage of the Coercion bill for Ireland.

British customs officers to search all vessels arriving from America, China and the East for explosives.

Earl Rosebery believes the pressing of the coercion bill by the British government will lead to a general election.

The "brave" Joe Read" sunk in the straits of Cano. The crew escape to the ice, and are picked up several miles from shore.

Rev. Dr. Parker, of the City Temple, London, decides to postpone his visit to Brooklyn, N. Y., until October, when he will subside the late Mr. Beecher.

A fresh Zankofsky or pro-Russian conspiracy discovered at Sofia. Several men, formerly officers in the Bulgarian army, arrested for participation in the new movement.

The Czar prevents Russian admirals of General Boulanger, the French Minister of War, from sending him a sword of honor.

A hurricane off the northeast coast of Australia destroys 40 pearl fishing boats; 550 persons perish.

The Bank of England reduces its discount rate to 2 per cent.

Swindon opposes with a hundred-line poem Gladstone's Irish policy.

Sinking of steamer "Benton" of Singapore off the island of Formosa, by collision; 150 lives lost.

All the Nihilists on trial at St. Petersburg are found guilty.

Schmaele set at liberty by order of Bismarck.

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with the society gave their pastor and wife a very pleasant surprise just before the close of the year, and left for them many valuable tokens of affectionate regard. During the past month Bro. Jones has baptized two persons, and received four into full connection. The society is in a healthy condition for next year's work.

Rev. C. E. Bisbee closed his three years' labor on Goodwin's Mills charge last Sabbath, with most encouraging results. During the last month seven persons were received into full connection with the church.

Bro. Stackpole's plan adopted the past year to depend upon the voluntary contributions of his people for his support, was a great success. Beside paying all of the current expenses, the pastor received his full salary, and left \$80 in the treasury. On closing his labors at Wesley Church, Bath, Bro. S. was presented a fine gold watch, several paintings, and Mrs. Stackpole was presented a purse of \$30. Seventy persons have been baptized during the year.

Rev. J. M. Frost reports thirty-eight baptisms for the past Conference year at Skowhegan.

Rev. G. C. Andrews reports twenty baptisms the past year at Wilton, and the church in better condition than ever before.

Rev. T. P. Adams reports thirty baptisms during the past year at Ferry Village, and a marked revival interest throughout the year.

J. M. THOBURN.

fore, and have added greatly to the reputation of the school for culinary perfection." The New Hub Range with Wire Gauze Oven Door is manufactured by the Smith & Anthony Stove Co., 52 and 54 Union Street, Boston, and is sold by dealers throughout the world. It has completely revolutionized the science and practice of cooking. Ask your dealer for it, and write to the Smith & Anthony Stove Co. for one of their special circulars giving full description.

## Church Register.

## HERALD CALENDAR.

## SPRING CONFERENCES - 1887.

**CONFERENCE. PLACE. TIME.**  
Sweden, Karlskrona, Swe., May 5, Nine  
East Meuse, Bar-le-Duc, France, May 10,  
Norway, Porsgrunn, Norway, 18, Nine  
Denmark, Vejle, Denmark, June 2, Nine  
Germany, Cassel, Germany, 16, Nine  
Switzerland, Bern, Switzerland, 23, Nine  
Hamilton Camp-Meeting, Aug. 16-23  
Salvation Army Camp-meeting, at Rich-  
mond, Me., Aug. 15-22  
Ken. Val. Camp-meeting, at Richmond, Aug. 22-29

## POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Rev. F. T. George, Southville, Mass.  
Rev. J. Livesey, Fall River, Mass.

A NOVEL MISSIONARY GATHERING. — A meeting of MISSIONARY CANDIDATES will be held at Lakeside, Ohio, beginning on Thursday morning, May 28, continuing eight days. A general Missionary Convention will be held on Sunday evening, June 12, and the candidates will be presented to the public.

T. H. STONE, Secretary, 100 Union Street, Boston, Mass.

In TARRANT'S SELTZER you behold

the secret of a long life!

For Constitutio[n] will depart,

And Indigestion quickly start.

Take TARRANT'S SELTZER, and abide.

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